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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to school budgets, including by providing for
2 requests and applications submitted by school districts to the
3 school budget review committee and documents submitted to
4 other state agencies concerning school district finances, and
5 providing an effective date.
6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 257.13, subsection 2, Code 2007, is
1 2 amended to read as follows:
1 3 2. The board of directors of a school district that wishes
1 4 to receive an on-time funding budget adjustment shall adopt a
1 5 resolution to receive the adjustment and notify the school
1 6 budget review committee ~~by November 1, annually, but not~~
1 7 ~~earlier than November 1, as determined by the department of~~
1 8 ~~education.~~ The school budget review committee shall establish
1 9 a modified allowable growth in an amount determined pursuant
1 10 to subsection 1.
1 11 Sec. 2. Section 257.14, subsection 2, Code 2007, is
1 12 amended to read as follows:
1 13 2. For the budget years commencing July 1, 2002, and July
1 14 1, 2003, if the department of management determines that the
1 15 regular program district cost of a school district for a
1 16 budget year is less than the total of the regular program
1 17 district cost plus any adjustment added under this section for
1 18 the base year for that school district, the school district
1 19 shall be eligible to receive a budget adjustment for that
1 20 district for that budget year up to an amount equal to the
1 21 difference. The board of directors of a school district that
1 22 wishes to receive a budget adjustment pursuant to this
1 23 subsection shall adopt a resolution to receive the budget
1 24 adjustment by ~~April~~ May 15, annually, and shall notify the
1 25 department of management of the adoption of the resolution and
1 26 the amount of the budget adjustment to be received.
1 27 Sec. 3. Section 257.14, subsection 3, unnumbered paragraph
1 28 2, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:
1 29 The board of directors of a school district that wishes to
1 30 receive a budget adjustment pursuant to this subsection shall
1 31 adopt a resolution to receive the budget adjustment by ~~April~~
1 32 May 15, annually, and shall notify the department of
1 33 management of the adoption of the resolution and the amount of
1 34 the budget adjustment to be received.
1 35 Sec. 4. MODIFIED ALLOWABLE GROWTH GRANTED FOR A CHANGE IN
2 1 ACCOUNTING OR BUDGETING METHODS. Notwithstanding any
2 2 provision in chapter 257 or title 289 of the Iowa
2 3 administrative code to the contrary, this section applies to a
2 4 school district, required to budget on the generally accepted
2 5 accounting principles basis of budgeting beginning with fiscal
2 6 year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2007.
2 7 1. a. If the school district determines that the amount
2 8 of modified allowable growth granted for the change in
2 9 accounting or budgeting methods was not adequate as provided
2 10 in 289 IAC 6.5, the school district requested on March 10,
2 11 2008, modified allowable growth for the conversion to the
2 12 generally accepted accounting principles basis of budgeting

2 13 and the school district has been notified by the department of
2 14 education that it is likely to have a negative unspent
2 15 authorized budget on June 30, 2008, or June 30, 2009, and the
2 16 school budget review committee has not previously considered a
2 17 timely submitted request, the school district may make a
2 18 request to the school budget review committee to grant
2 19 additional modified allowable growth for purposes of
2 20 increasing the amount of the school district's unspent
2 21 balance. The request must include a verification from the
2 22 school district's independent auditor of the amount by which
2 23 the change to generally accepted accounting principles basis
2 24 of budgeting contributed to the district's negative unspent
2 25 authorized budget.

2 26 b. The school budget review committee must receive the
2 27 request described in paragraph "a" on or before August 15,
2 28 2008.

2 29 2. Except as provided in subsection 1, the school budget
2 30 review committee shall approve or disapprove the request using
2 31 the same criteria as if the request had been submitted at its
2 32 May 2006 regular meeting.

2 33 Sec. 5. ON=TIME FUNDING BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS.
2 34 Notwithstanding any provision in chapter 257 or title 289 of
2 35 the Iowa administrative code to the contrary, all of the
3 1 following shall apply:

3 2 1. a. If the board of directors of a school district
3 3 determines under section 257.6 that the school district's
3 4 actual enrollment for the budget year beginning July 1, 2006,
3 5 and ending June 30, 2007, was greater than its budget
3 6 enrollment for the budget year, the district shall be eligible
3 7 to receive an on=time funding budget adjustment as provided in
3 8 section 257.13.

3 9 b. A school district that wishes to receive an on=time
3 10 funding budget adjustment under paragraph "a" shall adopt a
3 11 resolution to receive the adjustment and notify the school
3 12 budget review committee in the same manner as provided in
3 13 section 257.13 and submit an application to the school budget
3 14 review committee as provided in 289 IAC 7.4. The school
3 15 budget review committee must receive the application on or
3 16 before August 15, 2008.

3 17 c. Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs "a" and "b",
3 18 the school budget review committee shall approve or disapprove
3 19 the application using the same criteria as if the application
3 20 had been submitted on November 1, 2006. However, the school
3 21 budget review committee shall not approve a timely submitted
3 22 application that it previously considered.

3 23 2. a. If the board of directors of a school district
3 24 determines under section 257.6 that the school district's
3 25 actual enrollment for the budget year beginning July 1, 2007,
3 26 and ending June 30, 2008, was greater than its budget
3 27 enrollment for the budget year, the district shall be eligible
3 28 to receive an on=time funding budget adjustment as provided in
3 29 section 257.13.

3 30 b. A school district that wishes to receive an on=time
3 31 funding budget adjustment under paragraph "a" shall adopt a
3 32 resolution to receive the adjustment and notify the school
3 33 budget review committee in the same manner as provided in
3 34 section 257.13 and submit an application to the school budget
3 35 review committee as provided in 289 IAC 7.4. The school
4 1 budget review committee must receive the application on or
4 2 before August 15, 2008.

4 3 c. Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs "a" and "b",
4 4 the school budget review committee shall approve or disapprove
4 5 the application using the same criteria as if the application
4 6 had been submitted on November 1, 2007. However, the school
4 7 budget review committee shall not approve a timely submitted
4 8 application that it previously considered.

4 9 Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
4 10 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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